



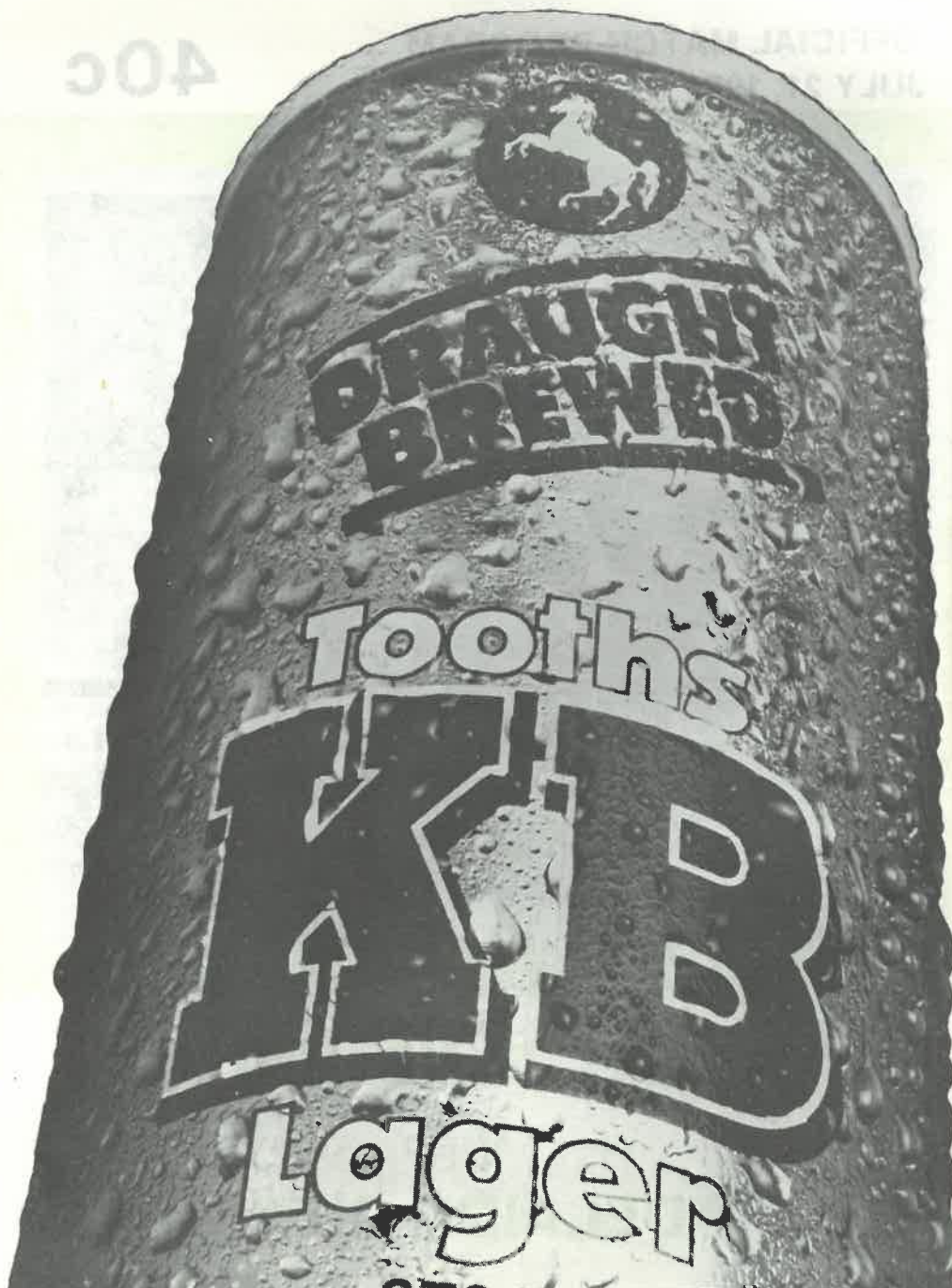
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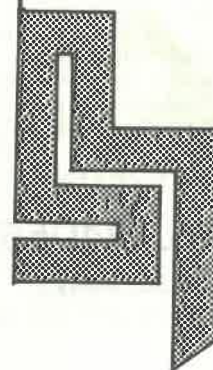
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Adelaide City

The Rale Rasic regime at Adelaide City is less than a season old. Yet already it has given the club a stability and consistency it lacked in its first two seasons in the Philips Soccer League of Australia.

That Adelaide City possessed the playing strength prior to Rasic's arrival is indisputable. But there is no doubt either that the boys in black and white had more than their share of ups and downs in those pre-Rasic days.



The magic of the maestro from Marconi has changed all that.

Admittedly Rasic boosted the playing staff with four new signings. They are Glenn Dods a New Zealand international defender, Chris Kent a striker from South Melbourne, Robert Russell a defender from Sydney's Croatia and young Charley Villani a midfielder. By contrast he has lost the invaluable services of Gary Marocchi the Western Australian born Socceroo who has been kept out of the game with knee and ankle problems.

With minor modifications the City line-up has been Peter Marshall in goals; Dods or Rus-

sell and Bugsy Nyskohus at fullback; John Perin and Jimbo Muir at centre defence; Agenor Muniz, South American born whizz, Brian Northcote and Charley Villani in the midfield; and Kent, Dixie Deans, Robert Marwe or Johnny Nyskohus up front.

Clearly the side is not without international talent or fire power. In fact, but for two crucial losses to Marconi and Brisbane City in recent weeks, Adelaide City would have to be regarded as the team to beat in the 1979 Philips League. Any side that has amassed round thirty goals for the season is hardly likely to be a pushover.

With a team so full of talent it is hard to pick out individuals but Dixie Deans just about picks himself. He is regarded as the most dangerous goal poacher in the league. His tremendous experience and his natural talent for smelling out a scoring chance make him the scourge of opposing defences.

John Perin and Jimbo Muir have been doing it easy in most of their matches. The former has moved back from the midfield where he dominated South Australian and P.S.L. football for so long into the central defence where he has paired admirably with Jimbo.

The Nyskohus brothers, both Australian born by the way, have more than their share of admirers in South Australia and other states. Between them they have piled up a tremendous list of honours.

If you have been waiting for a collapse of the Adelaide City machine similar to that of Marconi's side last year and you have interpreted recent setbacks as more of the same, forget it. The situation at Marconi in 1978 developed more through politics than playing problems. When the 1979 season is over Adelaide City will still be regarded as the formidable combination it undoubtedly is.

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FROM THE TUNNEL



Alan Vest

Well it's the time of the season when consistency will take teams into the top four. It's an interesting situation with half the league in contention for those top four places and the next few weeks will have a marked effect. Most of the leading teams play each other and it will be real cut and thrust stuff. Even though we took the two points from Apia last week they can get back into things if they defeat Adelaide City this week, and if Sydney City beat Marconi then the league is really wide open.

It was a tremendously hard encounter with Apia but proves that we can now compete with the best. We're far more composed these days and in fact defensively look as good as anything in the league. This stems from an entire

team effort when the opposition has the ball and credit must go to the team in the last few weeks, and it's good to see players who we know have a great deal of skill combining it with aggression and work rate.

We've had a fairly settled side of late, but in the present club situation with no reserve team it's hard for players out of the squad to keep their enthusiasm to fight their way into the team. Hopefully next season the club will have a team in a top competition with the possibility of the new State League. This will mean the club can carry on giving the local talent the opportunity to break into national soccer.

Well a great point in Brisbane last Sunday, in what I rate as one of our best performances. It was a complete team effort and thoroughly deserved our point which keeps us in touch with the leaders.

It's another hard one today against Adelaide City and Rale Rasic has moulded them into a fine side. I'm sure you are in for a great game and obviously we're looking for some more of that magnificent support and we hope to come up with those two points.

Alan Vest travels by courtesy of McLEOD, KELSO and LEE

A worthwhile venture will be made with a change of venue for the Philips League Championship match between Newcastle KB United and Sydney City on Saturday, September 1.

It is Sydney City Club team's home fixture but it has been agreed that it should be played at Gosford where there is much interest in the code and in the League.

This is a missionary effort that merits full commendation and a move that should be greatly successful.

100,000th SPECTATOR WILL BE LUCKY

Already 79,559 enthusiasts have passed through the turnstiles at the eight home fixtures played by Newcastle KB United at the International Sports Centre — in Philips League Championship matches only. That gives an average of 9942 for each match.

With five more home matches, including that today, to play, it is certain that the 100,000 total will be well and truly passed — and the patron who is the 100,000th to come through the gate will be equally well and truly fortunate. He, or she, will receive from the club free admission for LIFE.

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A Special Evening of fun and games to support the candidature of Miss Janelle Wilton in the Miss Australia Quest, in which she is the nominee of KB United — Edgeworth Bowling Club, will be held at Edgeworth Bowling Club on July 21.

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What do KB United players do when they are not playing in a competition match? You'd be surprised.

Take, as instance, the programme for many of them in the week from Saturday, July 7 to Sunday, July 15.

In that time, the players had taken part in two premierships matches and 12 regular training sessions, without taking into account some further training for individuals.

A number of the players gave up their time to coach youngsters at schools and clubs while others attended clubs to help in any way possible. That took up more than 25 hours of their time.

Then there were almost 60 hours devoted to promotion activities.

Alan Vest, Frank Campbell, Kevan Keelan, Ken Boden, Phil Dando and Bill Summerscales trekked off to Singleton to spread the word and to coach youngsters.

That was typical of the work being

done to further popularise the game by all those connected with KB United.

Officials are just as much concerned in the work. Energetic and highly efficient secretary, Paul Trisley, spared time from his busy business life to go to Singleton to be guest speaker at the Catholic Dinner Club and, a day or so later, to Hamilton Apex Club to further tell of the club and its objects in bringing top-class Soccer to the North.

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The winner of the Supporters' Club Lucky Ticket competition conducted at the KB United-Apiia match was Mr J. Kirk of 27 Cross Street, Maitland, who held ticket number 1475.

Mr Kirk can claim his prize by producing his ticket.

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The presentation of events to-day is . . .

11.45 am: Under 12 fixture, Toronto v Edgeworth.

12.45 pm: Under 15 match, Wallsend v Hamilton.

2.05 pm: Arrival of Icee Bear by helicopter with 300 Icee Show Bags for distribution among the youngsters.

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PLAYER PROFILE



This Week:
MALCOLM McCLELLAND

POSITION: Midfield.
SHIRT NUMBER: 19.
DATE OF BIRTH: 22nd December, 1960.
PLACE OF BIRTH: Glasgow.
STAR SIGN: Capricorn.
HEIGHT: 175 cm.
WEIGHT: 64 kg.
HAIR COLOUR: Red.
EYES: Brown.
MARITAL STATUS: Single.
OCCUPATION: Trainee chemist.
PREVIOUS CLUB: Adamstown Rosebuds.
TRANSPORT: Falcon 500, Yamaha 175.
FAVOURITE FOOTBALLER: Johann Cruyff.
FAVOURITE SPORTSMAN: Bjorn Borg.
FAVOURITE OTHER CLUB: Liverpool.
GREATEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: Parents.
AMBITIONS: To have a happy life.
GREATEST ACHIEVEMENTS: N.N.S.W. Youth Rep. - '76, '77, '78; Aust. Schoolboy Rep. - '79; Aust. Youth Rep. - '78; Aust. Eleven Rep. - '79.
HOBBIES: Never had time for one.
FAVOURITE RELAXATION: Surfing, trail bike riding.
SUPERSTITIONS: Nil.
FAVOURITE ENTERTAINERS: Charles Bronson, Clint Eastwood, Hawk-eye (M.A.S.H.), Supertramp, Boston, Angels.
FAVOURITE FOOD: Steak.
FAVOURITE DRINK: Orange juice.
PET HATE: Bad tackles by opponents.



Newcastle KB United team manager-coach, Alan Vest, spends so much of his time on the job that we wondered what he did when away from it. So we asked him. That produced something of an explosion.

"What time away from the job?" he demanded. "I make it a 24-hour a day job. Yes, you could say it's my baby!"

So then we asked for a run-down on a day in the life of Alan Vest, the dedicated and highly successful team manager-coach. Here it is

NEVER A DULL MOMENT

It's Friday morning. It's just a day away from the next home match in the Phillips League Championship - and there's worries aplenty.

We've had injury doubts and problems all week with query marks against Graham Heys, Ian Seddon, Ken Boden, Peter Willis and Neil Endacott. Ian Seddon has been out for four weeks, he hands me a specialist's report which could keep him out for the season.

Then Paul Trisley tells me its touch and go as to whether we'll get a clearance in time for new signing Kevan Keelan to play.

Press and radio representatives keep asking, NBN 3 wants me at three o'clock for an interview. They all have to know the team.

Forget these worries for a while and dash over to Wallsend High School for an interview with the blind students who are doing a project on sportsmen. Tremendous lads. I enjoy talking with them. They have far more than I have to overcome so what the heck am I worrying about?

Back to the office and work out a schedule for Coca-Cola and the schools. Then, with Frank Campbell, a quick dash for an equally quick lunch for there's no time to waste. Then its back to the office and to start thinking about training at half past four. It'll have to be a light session because we're playing tomorrow. Up to NBN 3 at three o'clock and an interview with David Fordham who asks many pertinent questions. Talk my way out of that and then off to training at the ground.

There are a few problems with the players, about injuries and illness and such things to sort out before training starts and then get into the swing of things. Things seem to be going well when along comes Richard Puxty with the news that Keelan has not yet been cleared to join the team. Seems that some of the doubtful players will be OK after all, but you never know.

Allyn Hamont from the Newcastle Herald wants the team and its necessary that I give it to him as best I can. No sooner home at about half past seven than I get the news that Joe Senkalski has had a knock while training and can barely walk. That's more worry. Then

come phone calls from Soccer writers in other centres but, at last to bed. It takes some time to drop off because of my worrying thoughts about the team.

Saturday morning at least it's a beautiful day. Think about possible line-ups if injuries are bad. Paul Trisley rings for the team so he can complete the team sheet but it will have to wait until I've seen the players. It's half after ten and off I go to Adamstown for lunch with the players. Arrive there and find that a player I wanted in the team is not able to play. Another hobbles in and he's a non-starter too. Decide on the team while lunching.

Have a final team talk at about 12.45 and then it's off to the International Sports Centre. Final preparations and last minute team talk and out we go. We want to win this one badly and it's going to be tough.

It's a great start with Drinkie heading in a Peter Tredinnick corner and we're well away. Jim Preston cops a kick on the hand and is struggling but then we get a free-kick and Col Curran lashes one in. His shot hits the bar but Bill Summerscales heads the rebound in and we're two up but Bill is motionless on the ground. More worry. Frank Campbell revives him but, after a few minutes Bill signals that he can't continue. I have to replace him.

We're still two up but just on halftime we give away a goal and they're back in it. Halftime and I sort out a few things such as Jim Preston being unable to continue. Phil Dando takes his place.

We have a few close shaves before Drinkie lands another and then a bit later Brett Cowburn makes it four. Press on for a fifth goal and a possible bonus point but, in the last minute, they break away and make it four-two.

However, we've won. That's what counts and we've nothing to worry about - for the moment. Yet, upstairs everyone wants to know why we didn't go for the bonus point.

You just can't win at this game. Who was it said that life wasn't meant to be easy.

And no sooner is that match ended than you start to worry about the next. And you've got the nerve to ask me what I do in my leisure time! There's no such thing.

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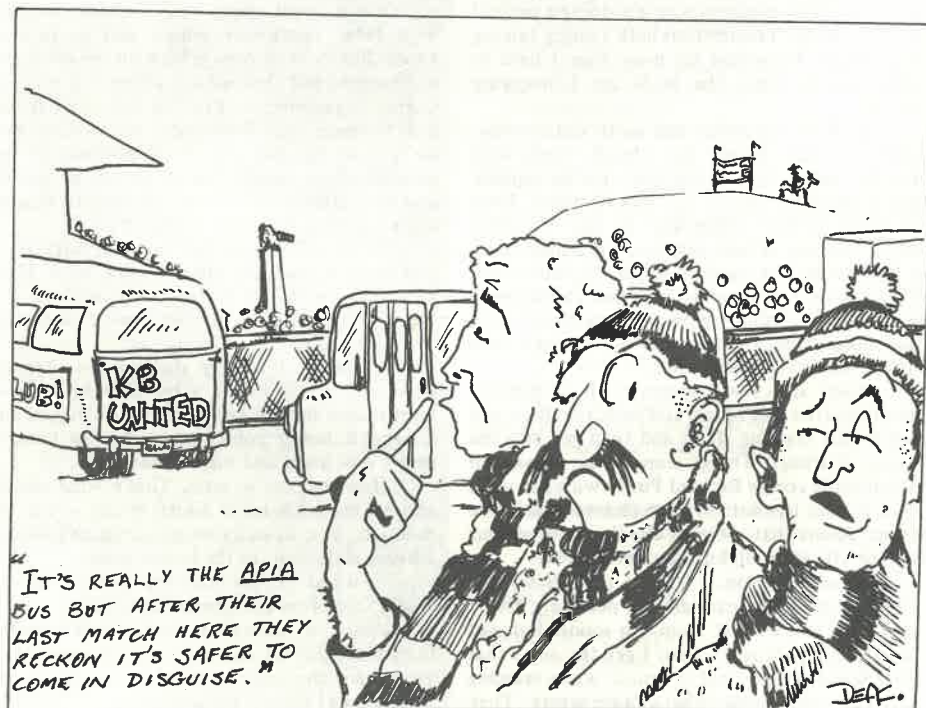
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NEWCASTLE TO SHARE IN COCA-COLA WORLD YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Newcastle is certain to be one of the selected centres for matches in one of the groups which will contest the Coca-Cola World Youth Championship tournament in 1981.

The competing teams will be placed into groups of four, one will be based in Newcastle.

It follows that the host for this important series will be KB United and that the matches will be played at the International Sports Centre.

It will be the most important sporting event ever staged in Newcastle and will attract world wide interest.

'DIGGER' EVANS ONE OF THE GREATEST

Not in the best of health in recent weeks and so unable to see matches or to play bowls is the noted J. B. ('Digger') Evans, one of the greatest Australian-born defenders the game has known.

Tall and powerfully-built, russet-haired and known sometimes as 'Brown boots' because he favoured a pair of that colour, the 'Big Digger' was a grand player who was nicknamed 'Digger' after his father.

J.B. began his top Soccer with Aberdare with which he played when that team was one of the best in the country and winner of some noted competitions and matches. He also played for a time with Cessnock.

The depression of the 30's forced him to go to Sydney where employment was available.

He played with Goodyear, Metters and Leichhardt-Annandale and so often with the State team that he seemed a

permanent fixture. He was certainly one of the first players named by selectors and no wonder. He was a colossus in defence, able to read a game as few could, a splendid sportsman and a grand clubman.

He played for Australia 26 times — a fact that speaks volumes for his great ability.

'Digger' Evans now lives in the Nelson Bay district and has never lost his interest in the game. Those who followed the code in the 1930-40's know just how great a player he was and his many friends know what a grand fellow he is.

THERE'S STILL TIME

Officials of the KB United Club were appreciative of the trouble taken by so many to complete the Readership Survey insert included in the programme for the last match.

It is planned to publish the results of the survey in the programme for the match between KB United and Heidelberg at the International Sports Centre on August 4.

That will give time for those who have not yet completed the survey to do so and post it to Box 5027A, Newcastle West, 2302. That would help give a wider range of views so that the objects of the survey — to improve the club's programme — could be achieved.

August 12 is an important date to remember.

It is on that day that Newcastle KB United will meet St George in a semi-final of the Philips Cup competition — and the match will be played at the International Sports Centre.

The winning team will meet in the final that which wins the Adelaide City-Canberra City semi-final to be played in Adelaide on the same day.

SCORERS

NEWCASTLE
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NEWCASTLE KB UNITED

1. PHIL DANDO
2. PETER WILLIS
3. NEAL ENDACOTT
4. CRAIG MASON
5. BILL SUMMERSCALES
6. ROY DRINKWATER
7. ARNO BERTOOGNA
8. IAN SEDDON
9. KENNY BODEN
10. GRAHAM HEYS
11. DAVID JONES

MANAGER:

Alan Vest

COLOURS:

Emerald,

cinnamon

and white

or

Red, gold

and black

12. JOE SENKALSKI
13. KEVAN KEELAN
14. JOHN SNEDDON
15. COL CURRAN
16. PETER TREDINNICK
17. JIM McBREEN
18. MICHAEL BOOGAARD
19. MALCOLM McCLELLAND
20. JIM PRESTON
21. KEITH HARRIS
22. BRETT COWBURN

REFEREE:

Mr Tony Boskovic (Sydney)



LINESMEN:

Mr A. Rodway

Mr R. Warren

1. PETER MARSHALL
2. ROBERT RUSSELL
3. JOHN PERIN
4. JIM MUIR
5. BUGSY NYSKOHUS
6. SERGIO MELTA
7. AGENOR MUNIZ
8. BRIAN NORTHCOTE
9. DIXIE DEANS
10. JOHN NYSKOHUS

COACH:

R. Rasic

COLOURS:

Black

and

white

11. CHRIS KENT
12. GLENN DODS
13. GARY MAROCCHI
14. ROBERT MARWE
15. FRANK LISTER
16. JOHN LISTER
17. CHARLIE VILLANI
18. RON IASELLO
19. LUCIANO SIGNORE
20. RICK MIGLIACCI

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RESULT — NEWCASTLE

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IT FIGURES

PHILIPS SOCCER LEAGUE POINTS TABLE

NEWCASTLE ANALYSIS

CLUB	P	W	(B)	D	L	F	A	Pts.	Home	Crowd	Away	Crowd
Marconi	16	10	4	3	3	41	20	27	Play	8/9	0-1	8,000
Brisbane City	17	9	1	3	5	26	20	22	4-1	9,037	1-1	2,800
Sydney City	16	9	1	2	5	32	22	21	0-1	9,823	Play 1/9	Gosford
Adelaide City	17	8	1	4	5	31	22	21	—	—	0-0	5,100
Newcastle United	17	8	—	4	5	26	19	20	—	—	—	—
Heidelberg	15	7	1	4	4	23	15	19	Play	2/8	4-2	3,500
West Adelaide	17	7	1	4	6	21	20	19	0-0	8,687	1-1	6,127
APIA Leichhardt	18	8	—	3	6	20	20	19	1-0	10,012	3-1	4,287
Canberra City	16	6	—	5	5	21	20	17	0-2	8,254	Play	19/8
Sydney Olympic	17	6	—	2	9	18	21	14	2-0	18,367	Play	29/7
Brisbane Lions	16	6	—	1	9	18	28	13	Play	25/8	0-3	1,300
Footscray	16	5	—	1	10	17	29	11	Play	22/9	0-2	1,200
St. George	16	3	—	2	11	16	35	8	4-2	8,288	Play	16/9
South Melbourne	17	3	—	2	12	15	34	8	3-0	7,091	2-1	3,000
	230	95	9	40	95	325	325	239	14-6	79,559	12-13	35,314

TOMORROW'S FIXTURES

Philips Soccer League

West Adelaide v Canberra City
APIA Leichhardt v Sydney Olympic
South Melbourne v Brisbane Lions
Footscray v Sydney City
St George v Marconi
Brisbane City v Heidelberg

Northern Federation

Cessnock v Cardiff
Highfields Azzurri v Toronto Awaba
Lake Macquarie v West Wallsend
Austral United v Belmont Swansea
Edgeworth v Wallsend
Adamstown v Weston

NORTHERN FEDERATION POINTS TABLE

Club	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Edgeworth	15	12	2	1	44	13	26
Wallsend	15	9	5	1	29	14	23
Weston	13	10	1	2	34	12	21
Highfields	14	6	2	6	30	29	14
Lake Macquarie	14	5	4	5	20	19	14
West Wallsend	14	6	2	6	19	19	14
Bel. Swansea	15	4	4	7	21	25	12
Cardiff	14	3	5	6	26	38	11
Adamstown	15	3	4	8	19	27	10
Cessnock	13	3	3	7	15	21	9
Austral Utd.	14	3	3	8	12	28	9
Toronto Awaba	14	2	3	9	13	27	7

NEWCASTLE UNITED SCORERS

Roy Drinkwater	7
Ken Boden	4
Graham Heys	4
Col Curran	3
Bill Summerscales	3
Brett Cowburn	2
Joe Senkalski	1
John Sneddon	1

GOLDEN GOAL SCORERS

March. Ken Boden
April Graham Heys

LAST WEEKEND'S RESULTS

Marconi 1 v. Sydney City 0
South Melbourne 0 v. Heidelberg 1.
St George 1 v. Brisbane Lions 1.
Footscray 1 v. Canberra City 2.
West Adelaide 0 v. Sydney Olympic 0.
APIA Leichhardt 1 v. Adelaide City 1.
NEWCASTLE Utd. 1 v. Brisbane City 1.

FASTEST SCORER

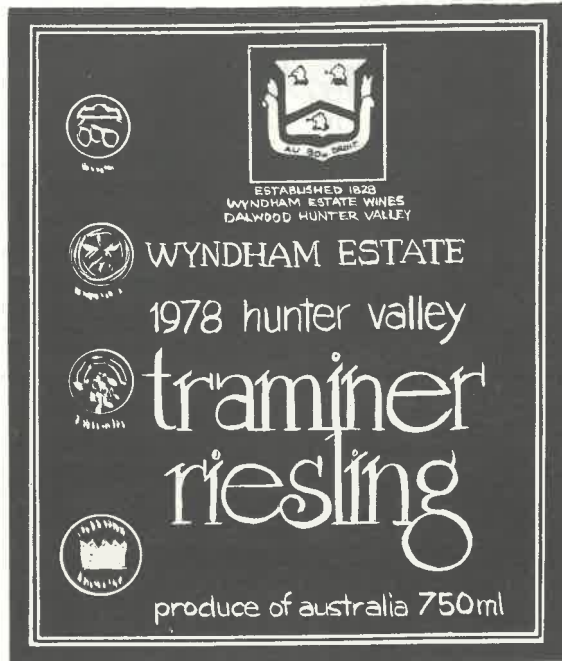
Roy Drinkwater 1min 55sec.
v.

St George on June 9.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The position after Round 17 are as follows:-

Roy Drinkwater	7.78
Jim Preston	7.69
Arno Bertogna	7.57
Joe Senkalski	7.53
Bill Summerscales	7.52
Ian Seddon	7.52
Kenny Boden	7.49
Col Curran	7.45
Malcolm McClelland	7.15
John Sneddon	7.13
Brett Cowburn	7.04
Graham Heys	6.87
Peter Willis	6.72
Kevan Keelan	6.70
Neal Endacott	6.67
Peter Tredinnick	6.62
Phil Dando	6.58
Craig Mason	6.25
Keith Harris	6.22
David Jones	6.00
Jim McBreen	5.97



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SUPPORTERS CLUB NEWS

It looks as though Newcastle KB United is becoming a true "home team." Our boys have provided us with an exciting clash with West Adelaide and a terrific win against Apia. These two games have increased the appetite of us supporters for victory and a continuation of this form will no doubt win more supporters.

A quick calculation tells me that if Newcastle did become a "home team" and pull off a two-pointer at each ISC encounter, we'd only need to pick up about 6 points on away games and we'd really be in business.

Too ambitious? Maybe so. But we supporters can only help achieve that almost impossible goal by letting the boys on the park know what we want.

Ask any team member. When they leave the tunnel, all thoughts of money, contracts and bonuses disappear. Winning is all they think about and there is nothing they like to hear more than the roar of the crowd. They have already demonstrated that they have spirit and grit comparable to any other sportsmen. There is nothing in their powers that they wouldn't do to hear the crowd behind them.

So don't let them down. Whether you're on the hill or in the stands, you are with people who have the same interests. Don't be afraid to let the team know that you are supporting them.

We would like to think that the incident that occurred after the Apia game is never repeated. It was an example of the ugliness that can creep into the game when officials behave in an ungentle-

manly manner. Luckily the bad example did not rub off on supporters and in fact the crowd voiced their strong disapproval at the lack of sportsmanship shown by the "well known" coach.

Until now the supporters of this club have a clean record, a record we should be proud of. Don't let anyone spoil it for us.

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If you missed the Black Cat ball on Friday 13th, I suppose everyone that went have already told you what you missed. It was a rage — good music, costumes and company made the night a memorable one for all. Look out for the photo from the ball in the next program, you could win a prize.

Congratulations to Reg and Brenda Gough and all the members and helpers of the social committee. They really excelled themselves.

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Our next social event will be a cabaret at the Kahibah Bowling Club on August 4.

Be there! You're certain of a good time.

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Buses to the Sydney Olympic match leave at 9.30am from the ISC. Book now!

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The away game against Sydney City will be held at Gosford on September 2. Book early for this trip. It won't be far from being a home game.



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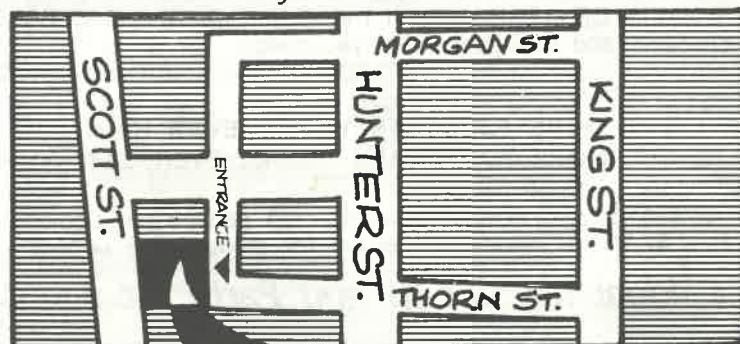
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AUSTRALIAN SQUADS

The Australian Soccer Federation has organised final selection trials to be played at the International Sports Centre on Tuesday, 24th July (this coming Tuesday). There will be a match between the A and B squads at 2.00pm and Newcastle KB United will play an Australian Youth Squad at 3.30 or a little later.

EARLY GAME Australia "A"

Martyn Crook
Steve Perry
Roberto Echeverria
Jim Tansey
Stuart Baxter
Peter Stone
John Coyne
~~Tommy Cumming~~
Joe Watson
Gary Cole
Ken Boden
~~Brian Northcote~~
John Nyskohus
John O'Shea

Australia "B"

Yakka Banovic
John Yzendoom
Tony Henderson
Vic Bozanic
Col Bennett
Joe Stevenson
John Davies
Ian Souness
~~Peter Sharpe~~
John Kosmina
Phil O'Connor
Murray Barnes
Peter Boyle
Agenor Muniz

LATE GAME Youth Squad

Greg Woodhouse
Danny Moulis
George Christopoulos
Mike Milovanovic
Theo Slemedis
Alan Davidson
Steve Hogg
Ian Hunter
Eddie Krncevic
Graham Jennings
Ian Rowden
Craig Hall
Peter Rascopoulos
Peter Kay
Mark Jankovics

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Admission to these matches will be two dollars per adult male. All other spectators will be admitted free.

On Tuesday, 31st July, Newcastle KB United and North Newcastle League squad will conduct a joint training session at Stewart and Lloyds. Alan Vest and John Mayes are in charge of arrangements for the training session.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

If you want all the latest information on Newcastle KB United you can't go better than:-

The Newcastle Morning Herald, specially Allyn Hamonet's articles.

The Newcastle Sun particularly the Friday supplement.

The Northern Federation's 'Soccer News'.

"Soccer Action" the weekly publication which carries a Newcastle KB United page and is available from your newsagent.

"Soccer World" also available at your newsagent and another periodical "Soccer Life" which should be available again soon.

N.B.N. Channel 3, in particular the Saturday Sports Show.

Radio stations 2HD, 2KO and 2NX all of which give frequent scores for United's matches. 2HD and the national stations also preview the Newcastle KB United matches just before noon on Saturdays.

GOAL TROPHY

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TEACH 'EM RIGHT WHILE THEY'RE YOUNG

A most informative article insisting on the need to ensure the proper development of Soccer's youngsters during their formative years appeared in a recent issue of the U.S. magazine Soccer World, a fine publication.

Written by David Faries, it is based on the thoughts of Franz Beckenbauer, one of the greatest players produced by Germany who is now playing in the U.S. His thoughts on the subject are of great value since he was a product of a Soccer development programme for youthful players.

Here follows the article written by David Faries after his chat with Beckenbauer.

"How can you develop kids, if you don't teach them? To achieve success in the future, you need more and better coaching for the kids now," the international soccer superstar said.

Because of the enormous growth of youth soccer across America, thousands of coaches are needed to teach skills and develop youth players, ages 6-18. Unless these thousands of coaches are trained and participate in soccer programs, tens of thousands of young players will grow up without the opportunity of really learning the game.

"Without a coach, a boy may develop 20% of his potential. With a good coach, he can develop 100%," Beckenbauer said.

"Coaches have to show the kids how you play the ball," he said. "If the coach can't trap the ball, the kids start to laugh at him. They don't take him seriously. The coach has to play soccer to know how to trap and pass the ball."

If a coach has not played soccer himself, he should get together with other coaches for friendly matches or join an

adult recreational soccer team. Then he can teach from experience as well as from knowledge gained from books.

"It's important for the coach to have enough experience that he can demonstrate what he wants to teach the kids," he said. "Then you will gain the kids' respect."

A coach also should read everything he can on soccer and coaching to broaden his knowledge of the game, coaching and playing techniques, new ideas and background information.

Beckenbauer strongly recommends coaches watch professional games at a stadium and on television. Coaches should observe and note how a team performs on the field and its style of play. It also is important for coaches to scrutinize individual players and how they play their positions, like a winger crossing the ball across the goalmouth or a sweeper overlapping to take a shot on goal.

If a coach has had an unsolvable problem with his team's offence or defence, he may very well find the solution in watching a professional team play through a similar situation.

According to Beckenbauer, not everything a coach sees or reads is beneficial. He must sift out the bad from the good. Then he will be sure of teaching only those things he really believes will benefit his players. The coach also should encourage youth players to watch professional soccer. They, too, can learn much from observing the veteran players.

When a youth player becomes a teenager, he probably will have advanced his skills and playing talents to the level where he needs to be challenged with something new. If the coach just repeats the same old things the player did in his early years of soccer without teaching



anything new, the player will become bored and may drop out.

"It's fun to coach soccer. A good coach must enjoy working together with kids," Beckenbauer said. "Sometimes the coach must criticize the players, but he should only do it in a positive manner. Negative coaching is bad coaching."

In Germany every coach must be licensed, whether he coaches a professional club or a youth team. While a professional coach must attend the University of Sports in Cologne for nine months to earn his "A" licence, a youth coach attends only a couple of weeks. Beckenbauer would like to see the same system for youth coaches in the United States.

"Youth team coaches only need 2-3 weeks to learn what's important to teach kids," he said. "Better trained coaches produce better soccer players."

The United States Soccer Federation and other soccer organizations should offer and promote more coaching camps across the country for parents and new coaches. Each camp should be coordinated by a professional instructor.

Parents and novice coaches have to assume their responsibilities to attend these coaching camps, according to Beckenbauer. Unless they participate in

these coaching camps and learn effective coaching methods and techniques, youth players cannot benefit from the valuable training given at these camps.

Coaches must also learn to be sensitive to the players' needs.

"Younger players should just play with the ball and have fun," he advised. "Teach children to play with the ball, how to pass and dribble. There are so many things to learn. Kids don't like conditioning training without the ball until they are older. Don't teach tactics until they are 16 or 17 years old."

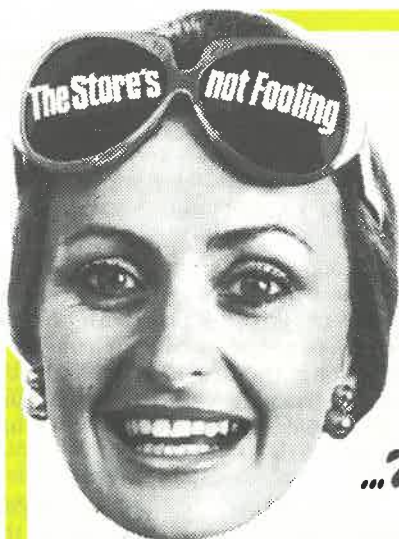
Youth players do not need physical fitness training until they reach their mid-teens, according to the "Kaiser."

During the regular soccer season, younger players should practice twice a week for their Saturday game. Older teenagers should practice at least 3-4 times a week in addition to their games. All players should practice on their own on days when there are no games or scheduled practices. Older youth players should be encouraged to play as much as they can. At the same time, coaches and parents should not try to force players to play.

"Parents should let kids do what they want. If a boy wants to be a good soccer player, he should play all year-round. If a boy likes tennis more than soccer, he should play more tennis," Beckenbauer said.

To keep players interested in soccer, coaches must make practices fun. Players will best develop their skills and playing talents when they enjoy what they are doing. This is a challenge for every coach.

"If the kids are taught well and receive good coaching, then the United States will have a better chance in World Cup competition," Beckenbauer explained.



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IRONNIES

RONNY B: The Irish F.A., alarmed at reports of a wages dispute between players and one of their clubs, cabled the directors, "Make strong stand." The steel and concrete were ordered the same day.

ronnie c: Newcastle's treasurer, Richard Puxty, was asked to give average gates for the season. Quick as a flash he answered, "About eight feet high and three feet wide." Paul Trisley was going to ask him the size of the average crowd but thought better of it.

RONNY B: In successive incidents during a recent charity match Paul Fitcher was kicked in the foot; Bobby Shinton was kicked in the shin; Dave Needham was kicked in the knee; and Alan Ball left the field in a hurry.

ronnie c: A player going on as number twelve did so badly his Irish manager told him after the game, "Faith and the next time I send you on as a substitute I'll find a replacement."

RONNY B: A P.S.L. match was delayed last Sunday while the groundsman put down the markings for penalty kicks. He admitted late he had told his Irish assistant that morning he wanted the pitch spotless.

ronnie c: The coach carrying the Newcastle squad to Sydney was involved in a collision with another coach full of hairdressers returning from a convention. Nobody was injured but several valuable wigs are missing. Police are still combing the area.

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DAFYNITIONS

SOCER: A game which starts with a flip of a referee's coin . . . and the linesmen aren't always so bright either.

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED: The rich club with a strip of gold and silver on the hill.

PRES BOX: An Irish version of the squeeze box. The notes that come from it are written on the back of the paper.

OVERHEAD KICK: A sharp rise in the cost of production.

PLAYERS: They are also known as "men" but at least two of them are only halves.

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Bobby Shinton is an old mate of Ian Seddon. If you haven't heard of Bobby you soon will. Ian City want him, broken nose and all. Keep an eye out for that nose. Ian was with Bobby at Oxford United. On one occasion they were booked into a hotel for an away match and Bobby decided to go for an inspection of the pitch where they would be playing. When he had had his look see he wasn't quite sure of the way home so he asked the curate who replied, "Go out the main gate and just follow your nose." Ian insists Bobby did fifteen circuits of the park before he decided to catch a taxi back to the hotel.

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One of the good things about being a Newcastle KB United fan is that the officials stay there long enough for everyone to get to know them. In the club's short history we have had one coach while some other clubs have gone through three or four. It gets confusing for supporters.

Run for your lives, Sir and Madam, We'd issue hard hats if we had 'em. The team's come a thud. The crowd's after blood And they wouldn't know Richards from Adam.

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Player A is Bill Summerscales. He is good value. Colour him gold. He is so popular someone has suggested doing him in bronze. Colour his skin bronze.

The other three players are all members of the opposition. They wear blue and they feel even bluer. Colour their strip a deep blue.

Player B has been nutmegged seventeen times in this match. He is terribly embarrassed. Colour his face crimson.

Player C has been watching Kenny Boden's skills. He is full of envy. Colour his face a rich shade of green.

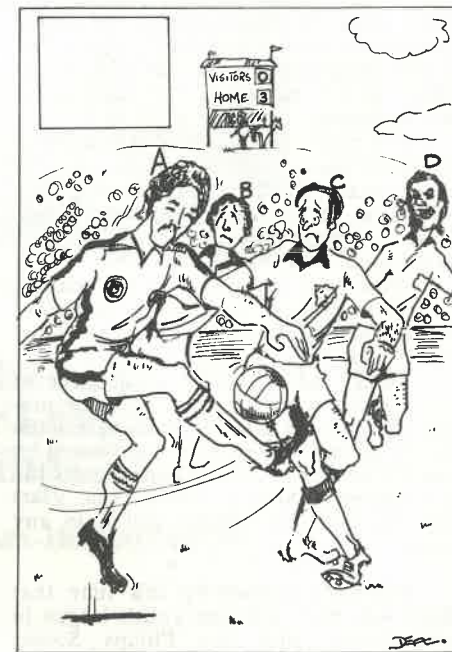
Player D has just run eighty yards to collect a pass which did not come. He is furious. Colour his face black.

All three visiting players would do better if they could borrow a horse from the man on the hill. Colour the horse silver.

Pick out a section of the crowd. These are the visitors. Colour them even bluer than their players.

In the inset draw the face of the trainer of the visiting side. Colour his face purple and his hair grey.

Do not draw the face of the visiting coach. His face looks drawn enough already.



CHIPS AND CROSSES

On 11th October, 1969, the first official matches of any kind were played on the International Sports Centre. Fittingly the first ball kicked on the pitch was a soccer ball.

The cover picture tells the story. The side kicking off is Cardiff Under 11 and the opposition is Wallsend Under 11. The match was the preliminary to an interstate representative match between N.N.S.W. and Queensland, a senior match that was.

The three central figures in the cover picture are Glen "Butch" Reay, now with Austral United in the Federation's first division and playing beside Craig Mason and David Jones; Phil Stoddard now with Mayfield Baptists in the Protestant Churches competition and Ray Rincheval, the boy taking the kick-off.

Tom Sutherland is the referee for the match and over on the left wing is Alec Alder, a fourth member of the Cardiff team.

Cardiff Soccer Club had been given the signal honour of playing this match against an opponent of their choice. They chose Wallsend which was fitting enough since the club is very much a part of the north's history and also the club to which Butch went for the first of his senior seasons.

The coach of the Cardiff team, Brian Botham, made one stipulation to his opponents. Cardiff would have the kick-off. Now there was a man with a fine sense of history! He even had a manager called John Peel!!

What was the score in the match? Cardiff organised that pretty well too. They beat Wallsend 2-1. There is no record that the result was rigged.

Today we re-enact a small piece of the north's soccer history and our programme records that the kick-off for the match against Adelaide City was taken by one of the boys who stepped onto the International Sports Centre ten years ago for the first official match in any code.

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Everyone knows by this time that there will be a national youth league in conjunction with the Philips Soccer League in 1980. It does seem a pity that it didn't eventuate in 1979 before the

players of the '79 Youth Team went their various ways.

What must be particularly pleasing to Alan Vest is the fact that the decision has been made in plenty of time for him to look round at prospective recruits for the squad. Alan is so much more familiar with the north's potential than he was in 1977, his first year in Newcastle. But more important, he has been given definite notice that the new competition is a goer. Right up to the beginning of the 1978 season nobody was certain that the Coca-Cola Youth competition would become a reality. Consequently Alan could not approach the players he might otherwise have included in the eventual squad.

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This week your programme reprints for you the draw for the first round of the European Cup won last season by Nottingham Forest:-

Liverpool v Dinamo Tbilisi (US/R), Arges Pitesti (Rom) v AEK Athens (Gr), Levsky Spartak Sofia (Bulg) v Real Madrid (Sp), Valur Reykjavic (Ic) v Hamburg S.V. (W.Ger), Servette Gneva (Sw) v Beveren-Waas (Belg), Yejlk BK (Den) v Austria Wien, Nottingham Forest v Oesters I V (Swe), FC Porto (Port) v AC Milan (It), Red Boy Diff (Lux) v Omonia Nicosia (Cyp), Hdjuk Split (Yug) v Trabzonspor (Turk), winner of preliminary match between Dundalk (Eire) and Linfield Belfast (N.I.) v Hibs La Valetta (Malta), Racing Strasbourg (Fr) v Start Kristiansand (Nor), Patizan Tirana v Glasgow Celtic, HJK Hlsinki (Fin) v Ajax Amsterdam (Ned), Upesti Dozsa Budapest (Hung) v Dukia Prague (Czech), Dynamo East Berlin v Ruch Chorzow (Pol).

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The joint venture between the Edgeworth Eagles and Edgeworth Bowling Club on Sunday, July 8, realised fourteen hundred dollars for the Belmont Special School's hydrotherapy pool. The project is one fitting for the support of soccer followers or any group of civilly minded folk. Apart from the fact that the hydrotherapy pool will be a boon to the physically handicapped it will also be an asset to sports medicine in the north.

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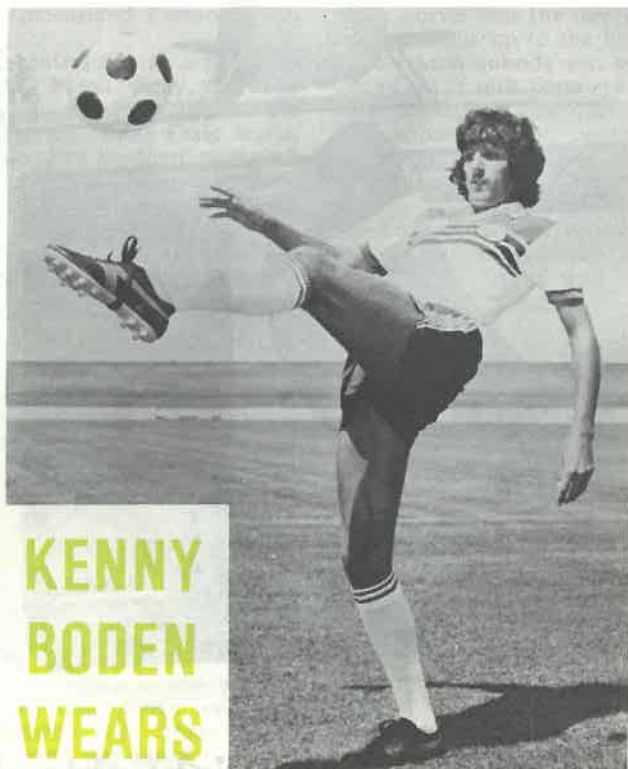
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